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RE: UNITED STATES v. ROBERT BEATTY

United States Attorney Michael A. Battle announced today that Robert Beatty, 69, of Amherst, New York, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge John T. Elfvin to a five-year

prison term for possession of child pornography.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Marie P. Grisanti said the defendant, in his guilty plea last

November 12, admitted that in February 2004 he possessed images of child pornography

on his computer. The defendant also admitted that he received the images through the

Internet, and that, also in February 2004, he distributed child pornography by e-mail with the

expectation of receiving child pornography in return.

The conviction was the result of an investigation by the Federal Bureau of

Investigation, under the direction of Special Agent In Charge Peter J. Ahearn.

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